GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Tribal Welfare Department – Education – Proposal for entrusting academic activities to Center for Development and Research (CDR), Rampachodavaram in remote Ashram Schools in Maredumilli and Y.Ramavaram Mandals in East Godavari District for entrusting quality learning outcomes - Permission accorded – orders - Issued.

TRIBAL WELFARE (TW.Edn.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.78 **Dated:28-08-2017**
Read:-

From the Special Commissioner of Tribal Welfare, Vijayawada,
Lr.Rc.No.D117021(35)/9/17, Dt.29-06-2017.

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ORDER:

In the reference read above, the Special Commissioner of Tribal Welfare, Vijayawada has stated that Sri V.M.Manohar Prasad, I.A.S. (Retd.), Director, Centre for Development and Research (CDR), Rampachodavaram has submitted a proposal "for strengthening the curriculum and teaching processes and improve the methodology in (5) Ashram Schools which are located in remote pockets of Maredumilli and Y.Ramavaram mandals of East Godavari District.

2. The Special Commissioner of Tribal Welfare, Vijayawada has stated that in the said proposal, the Director, CDR has submitted that:-

- Centre for Development and Research (CDR), is not for profit organization, is assisting the tribal mothers to run 50 community governed Bala Badis in as many villages on its own. Most of them are quite remote. CDR is in personal contact with all members of the Women's Self Help Groups in these villages. CDR is also establishing a Centre for Excellence in Bodlanka, a remote Konda Reddy village in Maredumilli mandal. It hopes to work with the tribals for improving their incomes and their well being.

- CDR has trained over 1600 hundred teachers of the ITDA primary schools in Rampachodavaram and other Scheduled mandals in activity based joyful teaching methodology since February 2016. CDR conducted this training programme in collaboration with the Tribal Welfare Dept of Govt. of A.P and in close partnership with the ITDA, Rampachodavaram. CDR further undertook monitoring of the learning outcomes in 25 ITDA primary schools in each of the 13 scheduled mandals. All these efforts undertaken with complete support and financial assistance from the Tribal Welfare Dept and ITDA have left a positive impact on improving the learning outcomes in the ITDA schools. Thousands of tribal children have benefitted from this endeavor.

- The learning standards in the Ashram Schools need lot of improvement. There is large scope for strengthening the curriculum and methodology to enhance the quality of the learning outcomes. The tribal children in the Ashram Schools can easily be provided a joyful and memorable experience in these schools. CDR is hoping to partner with the Tribal Welfare Department of Govt. Of Andhra Pradesh and ITDA, Rampachodavaram to improve the academics in some remote and neglected Ashram Schools in Maredumilli and Y. Ramavaram mandals in East Godavari district.

- The following proposal is submitted to permit CDR to strengthen and improve the learning processes in identified remote Ashram Schools in Maredumilli and Y. Ramavaram mandals. Over 98 % of the students studying in these schools belong to Konda Reddy tribe which is recognized as a very vulnerable tribe by the government. As examined by him in recent months, the learning standards in these schools are abysmally poor. Very *unfortunate* indeed.

Konda Reddy children are otherwise very bright and full of cheer. Their folk songs, festivities and traditions give them deep knowledge of nature, tender sensitivities and human character. But in the class rooms of the Ashram Schools they are found in a quandary of imposed incomprehension. This need not be so. They deserve better.

3. The Special Commissioner of TW, Vijayawada has further stated that the Director, CDR has submitted the objective of the proposal as follows:-

(i) CDR in collaboration with ITDA shall work for strengthening the curriculum and teaching processes and improve the methodology. It shall make joyful activity based teaching methodology the pivot of the learning processes.
(ii) All curriculum and extra curriculum activities shall be pupil centric. CDR shall endeavour to provide the best of the opportunities to every student and strive to bring out the best in him or her.
(iii) Imparting first class knowledge and guiding the student to joyful learning shall be the basic purpose.

<u>The role of CDR is</u>

a) CDR shall prepare a calendar of activities along with the monthly syllabus and finalize it in consultation with the PO, ITDA.
b) CDR shall prepare a specific daily activity based teaching time table for each Class in consonance with the prescribed syllabus.
c) CDR shall monitor the learning outcomes every month. It shall encourage student appraisal of teaching and extra curricular activities also.
d) CDR shall lay special emphasis on sports and other personality building activities and hone the available talent of the students.
e) CDR shall be in-charge and responsible for all academic activities in the identified Ashram Schools. The HM of the School shall be the Chief Liaison Person for this purpose.

<u>Role of ITDA</u>;

- ITDA shall provide good quality teachers as per sanctioned strength. Where that is not possible for some reason, it shall permit CDR to recruit suitable teachers to fill the vacancy.

- ITDA shall provide all funds as prescribed by the Govt. for the Ashram Schools in time for pursuing academic activities without hindrance. It can give a statement of prescribed funding pattern to CDR.

- ITDA shall provide funds and other support as permissible for sports and extra curricular activities.
- Food and nutrition, hygiene and health shall be important area of attention for the ITDA. It shall ensure prompt deliveries of all material and its quality.

<u>Support to CDR</u>

- ITDA shall provide reasonable Institution Support to CDR. An amount of two lakh rupees is suggested per school per year. This shall help in meeting many a unforeseen contingency cost in providing the best. Govt may take a decision as it considers fit.

- Govt. can authorize PO, ITDA, Rampachodavaram, to utilize the available unspent funds released in December 2015 for the purpose of training of teachers of ITDA primary schools.

4. The Spl. CTW, Vijayawada has stated that in CDR proposals the following Ashram Schools which are located in quite remote pockets are identified for undertaking this partnership for providing better education to the tribal children.

1.Gurthedu Boys Ashram School, Y.Ramavaram mandal

2.Daragedda Girls Ashram School, Y.Ramavaram mandal
3.Bodlanka Boys Ashram School, Maredumilli mandal
4.Banda Girls Ashram School, Maredumilli mandal
5.Boduluru Girls Ashram School, Maredumilli mandal

5. The Spl. CTW, Vijayawada has stated that in CDR proposals there are (104) TW Ashram Schools functioning in East Godavari District with admitted boarders of 15256 students during 2016-17. The tribe–wise enrolment details of above (5) proposed Ashram Schools are mentioned here under:

Sl.No.	School Location	Mandal	Total STs	Konda Reddis	Other STs
1	AHS(B), GURTHEDU	Y.Ramavaram	162	85	77
2	AHS(G), DARAGADDA	Y.Ramavaram	121	94	27
3	AHS(B), BODLANKA	Maredumilli	185	155	30
4	AHS(G), BANDA	Maredumilli	58	58	0
5	AHS(G), BODULURU	Maredumilli	194	179	15
	TOTAL		**720**	**571**	**149**

6. The Class–wise enrolment details of above (5) proposed Ashram Schools are mentioned here under:-

S No	School Location	Class III	Class IV	Class V	Class VI	Class VII	Class VIII	Class IX	Class X	Total
1	AHS(B), GURTHEDU	38	23	38	42	21				162
2	AHS(G), DARAGADDA	20	14	30	40	17				121
3	AHS(B), BODLANKA	8	14	25	29	34	32	21	22	185
4	AHS(G), BANDA	14	13	31						58
5	AHS(G), BODULURU	0	0	11	35	19	56	52	21	194
	TOTAL	**80**	**64**	**135**	**146**	**91**	**88**	**73**	**43**	**720**

7. The Spl. CTW, Vijayawada has also furnished her remarks to the proposal of CDR as follows:-

Sl. No.	Proposal of CDR	Remarks of TWD
Role of ITDA		
1	ITDA shall provide good quality teachers as per sanctioned strength. Where that is not possible for some reason, it shall permit CDR to recruit suitable teachers to fill the vacancy.	Wherever possible regular Teaching staff shall be provided and where there is a shortage of Teachers, the PO ITDA may be authorized to engage the CRTs as per the existing guidelines.
2	ITDA shall provide all funds as prescribed by the Govt. for the Ashram Schools in time for pursuing academic activities without hindrance. It can give a statement of prescribed funding pattern to CDR.	The PO ITDA may share all the particulars of funds released to the district under the Educational Institutions head with CDR. The DD TW shall ensure timely release of the budget to these 5 Schools.
3	ITDA shall provide funds and other support as permissible for sports and extra-curricular activities.	CDR may be requested to submit a detailed proposal including of the financial costs to the PO ITDA for release of funds duly following the existing norms.
4	Food and nutrition, hygiene and health shall be important area of attention for	PO ITDA and DDTW to ensure that GCC shall supply all the necessary

	the ITDA. It shall ensure prompt deliveries of all material and its quality.	items in time with good quality.
Support to CDR		
5	ITDA shall provide reasonable Institution Support to CDR. An amount of two lakh rupees is suggested per school per year. This shall help in meeting many a unforeseen contingency cost in providing the best. Govt may take a decision as it considers fit.	No separate budget is available as of now. However, funds under GIA/OGIA or OE/OOE or OA under Educational Institutions budget or interest funds available with the ITDA may be utilized as per the availability. A decision may be taken on the amount per school per year.
6	Govt. can authorize PO, ITDA, Rampachodavaram, to utilize the available unspent funds released in December 2015 for the purpose of training of teachers of ITDA primary schools.	A decision may be taken permitting the PO ITDA to utilize the unspent funds after duly examining the unspent amounts available to avoid audit remarks.

8. The Spl. CTW, Vijayawada has requested the Govt., for orders on the CDR proposal for Entrusting academic activities to CDR in (5) remote Ashram Schools in Maredumilli and Y.Ramavaram mandals in East Godavari district for ensuring quality learning outcomes.

9. In view of the above, Govt. after careful examination of the proposal, hereby accorded permission to Spl. CTW, Vijayawada for entrusting academic activities to CDR in (5) remote Ashram Schools in Maredumilli and Y.Ramavaram Mandals in East Godavari Districts for ensuring quality learning outcomes.

10. The Spl. CTW, Vijayawada is directed to prepare modalities for implementation of the above programme and to take necessary further action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

R.P. SISODIA
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (TW)

To
The Special Commissioner of Tribal Welfare, AP, Vijayawada.
All District Collectors.
All Project Officers, ITDAs in the State.
All Dy. Directors of TW and District Tribal Welfare Officers in the State.

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The PS to Principal Secretary (TW).
The PS to Principal Secretary, School Education.
The Commissioner and Director, School Education.

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